

CLAIMS:

1. A method of providing a range of resources to a concern, with the range of resources being limited to the functions and interests of the concern and at least a portion of the range of resources being computer-accessible over a communications network, the

5 method comprising the steps of:

- (a) customizing the range of resources to the concern, including acquiring a first portion of the range of resources and producing a second portion of the range of resources;
- (b) offering an infrastructure necessary to access, via the communications network, at least a portion of the range of resources;
- (c) providing the customized range of resources to the concern;
- (d) changing the range of resources in response to communication from the concern; and
- (e) upgrading the range of resources.

2. The method as set forth in claim 1, the content being selected from the group consisting of: productivity programming, curricular programming, administrative programming, assessment programming, collaboration programming, professional development programming.

3. The method as set forth in claim 1, the services being selected from the group consisting of: productivity programming, curricular programming, administrative programming, assessment programming, collaboration programming, professional development programming.

4. A method of providing a range of resources to a concern, with the range of resources being limited to the functions and interests of the concern and at least a portion of the range of resources being computer-accessible over a communications network, the method comprising the steps of:

- 5 (a) customizing the range of resources based upon the functions of the concern, including acquiring a first portion of the range of resources and generating a second portion of the range of resources;
- (b) providing a hardware and software infrastructure necessary to access, via the communications network, at least a portion of the range of resources;
- 10 (c) providing training regarding the customized range of resources and the infrastructure;
- (d) providing the customized range of resources to the concern;
- (e) changing the customized range of resources in response to communication from the concern; and
- 15 (f) maintaining and upgrading the customized range of resources and the hardware and software infrastructure.

5. The method as set forth in claim 4, the content being selected from the group consisting of: productivity programming, curricular programming, administrative programming, assessment programming, collaboration programming, professional development programming.

6. The method as set forth in claim 4, the services being selected from the group consisting of: productivity programming, curricular programming, administrative programming, assessment programming, collaboration programming, professional development programming.

7. The method as set forth in claim 4, wherein step (c) includes providing both pre-operation training and ongoing in-service training.

8. The method as set forth in claim 4, further comprising the steps of:
- (g) providing a financial account and a mechanism for accessing the account; and
  - (h) maintaining records relating to the account and use of the mechanism.

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9. The method as set forth in claim 4, wherein the step (b) of providing hardware and software infrastructure is accomplished on a subscription basis.

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10. A method of providing a range of resources to a concern, with the range of resources being limited to the functions and interests of the concern and at least a portion of the range of resources being computer-accessible over a communications network, the method comprising the steps of:

- 5 (a) customizing the range of resources based upon the needs and desires of the concern, including acquiring a first portion of the range of resources and generating a second portion of the range of resources;
- (b) providing a hardware and software infrastructure necessary to access, via the communications network, at least a portion of the range of resources;
- 10 (c) providing training regarding the customized range of resources and the infrastructure;
- (d) making at least a portion of the range of resources accessible to the concern via the infrastructure;
- 15 (e) providing a network portal customized to the needs and desires of a subgroup of the concern;
- (f) changing the customized range of resources in response to communication from the concern; and
- (g) maintaining and upgrading the customized range of resources and the hardware and software infrastructure.
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11. The method as set forth in claim 10, further including the steps of:

- (h) providing a financial account and a mechanism for accessing the account; and
- 25 (i) maintaining records relating to the account and use of the mechanism.

12. The method as set forth in claim 10, wherein the step (b) of providing hardware and software infrastructure is accomplished on a subscription basis.